

LEN SMALL INDICTMENT UPHELD AND GOVERNOR ORDERED TO TRIAL JAN. 9

**Accusation in That Trial
Will Be Embezzlement of
\$500,000 of State of Illi-
nois Funds—Judge Ed-
wards of U. S. Circuit
Court Decides**

**FIVE CONSPIRACY
COUNTS WERE
THROWN OUT**

**Lieut.-Governor Fred E.
Sterling and Vernon Cur-
tis, a Small Town Bank-
er, Are Jointly Charged
With Small in Nine In-
dictments Sustained**

Waukegan, Ill., Dec. 29 (By the Associated Press).—Judge Claire C. Edwards of the circuit court to-day upheld an indictment charging Governor Len Small with embezzlement of \$500,000 of state funds and nine of the 13 counts of an indictment charging the governor, Lieutenant-Governor Fred E. Sterling and Vernon Curtis, a banker of Grant Park, Illinois, with conspiracy and operating a confidence game involving \$2,000,000 in state money.

The court ordered the governor to trial Jan. 9, on the \$500,000 embezzlement charge.

Judge Edwards sustained the attorneys for the governor and Mr. Curtis in part by quashing an indictment charging them, together with Mr. Sterling, with embezzlement of \$700,000, and quashed three counts charging conspiracy and the one charging confidence game in the other joint indictment. As a result, Mr. Curtis will face trial only on the nine remaining counts of the conspiracy charge.

Mr. Sterling is not a party to the proceedings here. He did not ask a change of venue from Springfield, where the indictments were returned July 20, 1921, by the Sangamon county grand jury. Judge Edwards' action in quashing the indictment against the governor, Lieutenant-governor and Mr. Curtis will automatically kill that charge against Mr. Sterling.

The court's decision—a 5,000 word document which goes at length into the arguments of C. Lefevre and other attorneys for the defendants in support of their motions to quash—was read in court this afternoon in the presence of Governor Small and Mr. Curtis.

The charges against the governor and Lieutenant-governor and Mr. Curtis centered around alleged illegal practices during the term of Governor Small as state treasurer, 1917-19, and the term of Lieutenant-Governor Sterling as state treasurer, 1919-21. The alleged illegal operations, according to a "special report" returned by the grand jury consisted of the deposit in the "Park bank" at Grant Park, a town of about 600 population, of millions from Governor Small's home, of sums of money aggregating \$100,000, 000, which were then loaned to Swift & Co. and Armour & Co., Chicago packers, on notes paying ten to eight per cent interest. Not more than two per cent of the interest was paid to the state, the grand jury claimed, and the defendants are charged with retaining the remainder.

ROME BANK CLOSED DOORS.

Following the Government Decree of Modified Moratorium.

Rome, Dec. 29. (By the Associated Press).—The Banca di Sconto closed its doors this morning following the announcement by the government of the suspension of payments of the obligations of certain corporations through court decrees. The bank, profiting by the announcement, suspended payments pending court proceedings.

Rome, Dec. 29.—A decree has been promulgated establishing a partial moratorium by again bringing into force clauses of the commercial code, which recently have not been enforced, relating to postponements of payment by limited and co-operative companies.

Postponements will have to be granted by tribunals in definite cases, particularly when evidence can be produced showing that such a stay of payment is in the interest of the bulk of the creditors.

GRANITEVILLE

Miss Mary Morrison of Seattle, Washington, arrived here Saturday to make an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Morrison.

Friends of Malcom McKinnon will be pleased to learn that he was able to walk out yesterday. McKinnon has been confined to his home for many weeks.

Miss Kathleen Letourneau of Hartford, Conn., came home for the holidays.

George King, who is a student at Tufts college in Medford, Mass., is spending a few days here.

Mrs. John Bailey of Springfield is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Norman Murray of Pearl street.

TELESCOPE FOUND VALUABLE.

After Having Been Practically Abandoned 20 Years.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 29.—A 60-inch reflecting telescope purchased for the Harvard college observatory nearly twenty years ago, and later abandoned as unsatisfactory, has been proved by recent successful tests to be of decided value. It is one of the four largest reflectors in the world, being exceeded in size only by one at Mount Wilson in California, and another at Victoria, B. C., the property of the Canadian government and equalled by one other at Mount Wilson. It has a concave mirror five feet in diameter.

Made thirty years ago in England by A. A. Common, a famous telescope maker, it was bought by Harvard in 1902 for a special type of visual work, but when set up and tested was found unsatisfactory. Since that time astronomers have learned much about the characteristics and special uses of big reflectors and the recent tests promise good results with this telescope in radiometric work. It is planned to use it for studies of the physical properties of the stars through spectroscopic and radiometric measurements.

"MENTAL DETERIORATION"

Amounting to Insanity Defense Claims for Arthur C. Burch.

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 29.—Further testimony from alienists as to the mental condition of Arthur C. Burch, charged with the murder of J. Belton Kennedy, was expected at the resumption of the trial to-day.

Dr. Charles I. Allen of the Los Angeles county lunacy commission, the first witness called by the defense, declared he believed the defendant was in "a state of mental deterioration amounting to insanity."

The prosecution planned to combat this testimony with that of alienists it has subpoenaed.

FORTY STOLEN AUTOS STILL UNIDENTIFIED

Scores of Others Recovered in Connecticut Have Been Claimed.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 29.—A state roundup of stolen automobiles has netted forty unclaimed machines, the police say. Many others, running into scores, are said to have been identified and taken over by owners.

In the case of nearly every one of the forty cars, the original engine number has been buffed off, the factory marks altered and various parts interchanged, it is said.

The note in reply to this that these machines were stolen in southern and western states and scores of Connecticut owned machines after being stolen were taken west and south for disposal.

The number of men under arrest in the state under charges of stealing or having possession of stolen machines is large, according to the police, who say these groups operate in the form of organized gangs.

U. S. PRESIDENT ARBITRATOR.

Of All Differences Between Peru and Chile, Is Proposed.

Lima, Peru, Dec. 29. (By the Associated Press).—Peru in a new note to Chile proposes that the president of the United States be asked to act as final arbitrator of all differences between the two countries, no appeal being allowed from his decision.

The note is in reply to Chile's communication accepting the principle of arbitration and the plan that each country name a plenipotentiary to meet in Washington to establish the "basis and purpose" of arbitration.

RATHENAU IN PARIS.

German Leader's Mission There Not Definitely Known.

Paris, Dec. 29.—Dr. Walter Rathenau, former German minister of reconstruction, arrived in Paris to-day from Berlin.

A Berlin dispatch Wednesday said Dr. Rathenau would unofficially represent the German government at the discussions of the reparations commission in Paris, although official quarters declared his trip was in a wholly private capacity.

CHICAGO DRUNKS INCREASE.

Total of \$1,300 Arraigned During Year 1921.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—The annual report of the municipal courts of Chicago to-day showed drunkenness increased here the past year, 51,500 persons being arraigned for intoxication in 1921, as against 32,305 in 1920.

The report followed the action by the city council yesterday in voting 52 to 6 for a resolution demanding that Congress and the state legislature authorize the manufacture, sale and distribution of "wholesale beers and light wines."

MONTPELIER

Walter H. Crockett of Burlington was in the city to-day to confer with Governor James H. Hines on state publicity matters.

Deputy Commissioner of Highways C. M. Brooks has gone to Brattleboro to confer with District Commissioner O'Connell on highway matters.

C. M. Brooks, deputy highway commissioner, has a frustrated glass electric bell protector and wire guard from a German automobile to be used on a dark lamp in his new office. The glass bears the German word "Ruck."

C. R. Allen of Albany, N. Y., called at the office of the state engineer to-day in connection with contracts.

U.S. PROPOSAL UP FOR DEBATE

Limit of 10,000 Tons on
Any Auxiliary Vessel
To Be Built

AND 27,000 TONS ON
AIRPLANE CARRIERS

Limit on Submarine Ton-
nage Definitely
Abandoned

Washington, D. C., Dec. 29. (By the Associated Press).—The major plan to limit the tonnage of the five powers in submarines and auxiliary warships having been definitely abandoned, the naval committee of the arms conference was prepared to resume to-day its discussions of collateral subjects upon which proposals were offered yesterday by the American delegates. First to be considered to-day, it is understood, were the proposals placing a limit of 10,000 tons on any auxiliary vessel to be constructed by the powers and a limit of 27,000 tons of airplane carriers.

Great Britain alone agreed to the first proposal when it was presented yesterday after the effort to limit naval strength in submarines and auxiliary ships had been abandoned in the face of the French announcement fixing a limit of 90,000 tons in submarines and 330,000 in auxiliary craft for that country. The French, Italian and Japanese all announced that they would have to await instructions before deciding on the proposed 10,000 ton limit for all crafts below the capital ship class.

The American proposal regarding airplane carriers also provided a tonnage limitation for the several powers in that type of ship. It was discussed only briefly yesterday.

Another development of yesterday's momentous committee session—the French proposal that their country be permitted to begin replacement of capital ship tonnage in 1927, four years before the termination of the proposed ten-year holiday—was being considered to-day by naval experts of the other powers.

The plain-politician exchange between Arthur J. Bunker and M. Sarraut, heading the French delegation, over the possibilities of a future war between France and the British empire, following presentation of the French program in submarines and auxiliary ships yesterday, was the subject of animated discussion everywhere in conference circles to-day.

PETITION DISMISSED.

U. S. Commissioner William Nelson Will Hear Quincy House Case.

Boston, Dec. 29.—United States Commissioner William Nelson, who signed the search warrant used by prohibition enforcement officers in making seizure of liquors at the Quincy house while a banquet to Governor Cox was being held there last week, ruled to-day that he would sit at the hearing of the two men arrested at that time.

His decision was made after he had listened to long arguments by attorneys for John J. McCarthy, proprietor of the hotel, and Harold G. Kern, charged with illegally possessing the liquor that was seized. It was argued that the commissioner had no right to sit in judgment on his own acts. The validity of the search warrant used by the enforcement officers and signed by Commissioner Nelson had been questioned.

The real question at issue, it was contended, was whether the facts contained in the affidavit of prohibition Agent W. C. McGraw accompanying the application for the warrant were sufficient to show probable cause. If the facts were insufficient, the whole complaint should be quashed as in that event, the attorneys argued, the evidence was obtained illegally. McCarthy, in his affidavit, asserted that he had stood outside the Quincy house, had seen packages being carried in and had heard a clinking noise as the bundles passed him.

Following the ruling by Commissioner Nelson, the hearing on the cases of McCarthy and Kern was postponed until Jan. 17.

FORMER OFFICER ARRESTED.

On Charge of Accepting Bribe in Methuen, Mass.

Methuen, Mass., Dec. 29.—Former Special Officer Edward Wolfendale was arrested at noon to-day by state officers on an indictment warrant charging him with accepting a bribe and Everett Marchand, also known as Michael Marchand, was arrested charged with offering a bribe. Both were secretly indicted yesterday by the grand jury in Salem. They were admitted to bail.

Unwelcome Praise.
"The right kind of man appreciates a compliment from his wife."

"Well," said Mr. Bibbles, thoughtfully, "that depends on the circumstances. Sometimes, I don't feel a very glow of satisfaction stealing over me after I have related a carefully concocted story to explain my absence from the dinner table and friend wife tells me with a cynical smile that I'm truly gifted."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

PELLETIER DID PROPER THING

In Advising Attorney to Go
No Further With Doro-
thy Cote Suit

SAYS THE DEFENSE
LAWYER REED

Pelletier's Purpose Was to
Defeat Blackmail
Proceedings

Boston, Dec. 29.—When District Attorney Joseph C. Pelletier advised against Miss Dorothy Cote's pushing a suit to obtain possession of an automobile, it was to defeat a blackmail proceeding, United States Senator James A. Reed, counsel for Pelletier, said to-day in outlining the defense to this one of the many charges on which the prosecutor is being tried before the supreme court, which has power to remove him.

The charge made by Attorney General Allen, was that the district attorney improperly threatened Miss Cote with criminal prosecution to influence her to drop the suit, and that in making the alleged threat, Pelletier conspired with Daniel H. Coakley, a local attorney, whose client, Guy W. Lawrence, had originally given the car to Miss Cote.

William Shaw McCallum, the lawyer who represented Miss Cote at the time, came up for cross-examination when the hearing was resumed this forenoon. Senator Reed set out to question the propriety of some of the testimony which he gave in direct examination yesterday, adding:

"Isn't it a fact, Mr. McCallum, that you have disclosed at this hearing communications between yourself and your client over the protest of Miss Cote's counsel for the prosecution objected to the question and arguments between counsel developed."

Sensor Reed then outlined the Pelletier defense, in a statement to the court explaining the trend of his examination.

"The charge here is that there was a valid claim put in the hands of a lawyer for trial, and that Mr. Pelletier used the influence of his office to put the client to release her claim. I purpose to show that Miss Cote and Guy W. Lawrence were lovers and had lived together for a period of several years; that they had a violent quarrel, and she went to a lawyer planning to extort from Mr. Lawrence to give up an automobile; that she hesitated at actually bringing the suit, hoping to make up with Lawrence, but finally decided after frequent conversations with her attorney to bring the suit which, in fact, was a blackmailing proceeding."

"I purpose to show that Mr. Pelletier did the proper thing in advising this attorney to go no further with a suit of that sort. I will show some things of the part of this witness than any of the charges against Mr. Pelletier."

Under cross-examination Attorney McCallum described a conversation with Mr. Pelletier, in which he said the district attorney characterized the suit Miss Cote intended to file as a "hold-up." The district attorney urged him to drop the suit and intimidated that pressing the action might involve him as well as Miss Cote, he said, adding that Mr. Pelletier apparently offered the advice in the spirit of friendship.

The witness said that at the time he decided to file suit for Miss Cote he sent a copy of the letter demanding the automobile to Mr. Lawrence. The car was taken in the possession of an automobile company. The witness said he knew that Mr. Lawrence was a married man and that Miss Cote and he had been living together.

MORE MONEY FOR FISHES.

New York's Ancient Aquarium to Be Enlarged.

New York, Dec. 29. (By the Associated Press).—The aquarium, 114 years old and looking every day as if it has still a chance to grow. The board of estimate has voted an appropriation of \$105,000 to add another story on this ancient structure at the Battery, where each year 2,500,000 visitors and home folk exchange glances with thousands of fish. The plan was explained to the scientists and attendants in the building had to make room for the growing number of piscatorial aristocrats.

Many of the most picturesque pages in the history of New York center around and inside of the one-story aquarium. It was built as a fort in 1807. Later it became a public amusement place known as Castle Garden and within its walls echoed the first notes that Jennie Lind sang in America.

In 1853 the immigration authorities obtained the building for use as a landing depot for immigrants, and for 35 years it served as the door to the land of the free.

The place was once the scene of a gala ball in honor of Lafayette. At that time some of the old colonial homes, since displaced by skyscrapers, looked down upon the Castle and the Battery.

The building is the sole landmark of the early nineteenth century drama in New York, and equally notable for having nurtured grand opera when that entertainment timidly was ushered to this country.

PLEASURE IN SOMBRE PURSUITS.

Likely to Be Greater Than in High Responsibility.

Marion, Ohio, Dec. 29.—President Harding in a holiday greeting to Martin L. Elmer, 77, oldest employee of the Marion Star, the president's newspaper, said that experience has taught him that there is "even more happiness in some of our somber pursuits than there is in assuming responsibility in high places."

URGES MONEY TO BUY CEMETERIES IN EUROPE

Sec. Weeks Estimates That 32,000 Bodies of A. E. F. Still Remain There.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 29.—Purchase, at an estimated cost of \$111,000, of seven tracts of land in Europe for permanent American cemeteries was recommended to-day by Secretary Weeks, who in a letter to Speaker Gillett asked also that Congress make an additional \$745,000 available for improvement of the cemeteries so they will be comparable with those established by the allies for the war dead.

Secretary Weeks estimated that the bodies of 32,000 Americans who died overseas would not be returned to the United States. He said arrangements were being made to concentrate the bodies in six cemeteries in France, one in Belgium and one in England.

The cemeteries which the secretary recommended should be purchased and the cost of each were: Aiguillon, \$20,000; Suresnes, \$30,000; Somme, \$11,000; Brookwood, \$31,000; St. Mihiel, \$15,000; Cismes-Aoise, \$20,000; and Flanders Field, \$5,000.

FARMERS GET LITTLE FOR CATTLE HIDES

But Declare That Finished Article Is Still Very High in Price.

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 29.—Asserting that there is something wrong with conditions, the Connecticut board of agriculture, through its secretary, L. H. Heat, has written Attorney General Daugherty asking a special investigation in the hide and leather market. Mr. Heat says that farmers can only get five or six cents per pound for cattle hides and sometimes not over three. The finished article, however, is still very high in price, the letter states.

DEATH OF WATERBURY MAN.

Lyman M. Darling, Who Was Many Years a Teacher.

Waterbury, Dec. 29.—Lyman Moses Darling of this place died Monday night at the Chicago Union hospital, where he went five weeks ago for treatment, having been accompanied there by his brother, Dr. A. R. Darling of Kokomo, Ind. His condition had grown worse since he had been there and his wife went to Chicago ten days ago. Word of his death was received here last night, together with the announcement that the body is on the way to Morrisville, where the funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock in the Congregational church, with burial at Hyde Park.

Mr. Darling was 44 years of age and was born in Hyde Park, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Aquila Darling, the former of whom lived in Morrisville. He graduated from Peoples academy in Morrisville and from the University of Vermont, after which he began teaching. He was at Rochester and later at Canaan, N. H., and still later at Uxbridge, Mass., filling the position of principal in the latter towns. He then went to school superintendent's work, in which he was engaged eight years, being located at Canaan, Vt., and at Ludlow. Because of ill health he resigned his position at Ludlow and went west. Last winter he spent in Florida, being engaged in teaching there. He came to the city of Chicago in 1918, where he gave up school work and last October he bought the moving picture theatre in this village.

Mr. Darling leaves his wife, who was Annie Grimes of Hyde Park; two children, Irene Marion and Arnold Adrian; four brothers, Roy Darling of Windsor, Aldin Darling of Hyde Park, Abram Darling of Craftsbury and Dr. A. R. Darling of Kokomo, Ind., and a sister, Mrs. Nettie Vaughn of Chicago, besides his father already mentioned.

CLAIMS DRIVER WAS ASLEEP

When Part of His Sled Struck Chester Ladd's Auto.

Chester F. Ladd of Worcester reports that his automobile and a team collided on the north branch road Dec. 26, doing damage to his car estimated at \$10 or \$15. One of the sleds struck the rear mudguard of the car. Report states that the driver of the team, George Bosley of Montpelier, was asleep.

E. H. Kennedy of Chelsea reports that his Ford, driven by one of his men, was in a collision with another at Westmore, Westville and Barre, doing \$30 damage to Mr. Kennedy's car. The radius rod was broken, axle bent and one front tire and tube destroyed. The other car, Vt. 18-823, was thrown across the road by the collision and the Kennedy car was ditched. No one was injured.

FINED FOR HAVING LIQUOR.

George Turner of St. Albans Pleaded Guilty.

St. Albans, Dec. 29.—George Turner of Oak street was in city court yesterday charged with possessing intoxicating liquor contrary to law. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced by Judge N. N. Post to pay a fine of \$500 and costs, and also to pay for the destruction of the liquor.

Alfred Chicoine of Walnut street was also in the city court charged with possessing liquor contrary to law. He pleaded not guilty and will be given a trial next Saturday morning. Attorney F. L. Webster of Swanton appeared for him, while State's Attorney M. H. Alexander presented.

WOODSTOCK R. PAYS DIVIDEND

Unusual Condition in Contrast to Other Railroad Conditions.

Woodstock, Dec. 29.—Directors of the Woodstock railroad yesterday declared a dividend of two per cent out of the net earnings for 1921. Something more than the amount of the dividend has already been appropriated out of the net earnings for additions and betterments. "Absence of industrial depression in this section and efficient work of officers and employees of the railroad" was declared by President Richard Billings to have made the action possible.

How It Is.
"What's the difference between insurance and assurance?"
"Well, you can't sell one without the other."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

GIRL'S BODY IS EXHUMED

Following Charges Against
Elsie B. McCaw's Step-
mother

FOR ALLEGED EFFORT
TO POISON STEPSON

Autopsy Performed on the
Girl's Body at Bris-
tol, R. I.

Bristol, R. I., Dec. 29.—An autopsy on the body of Elsie B. McCaw, crippled stepdaughter of Mrs. Ruth A. McCaw, who is held on charges of administering poison with intent to kill her stepson, Leon E. McCaw, was held to-day at a local undertaking room. The girl died last April and the body was exhumed last night.

The autopsy was conducted by Medical Examiner O. R. Sigal, assisted by Dr. Clifford H. Griffin, police surgeon of Providence. Inspector Haran of the Providence police and chief of Police Kelley of Bristol were present. They said that the result of the autopsy would not be known for 48 hours.

The nature of the evidence discovered by the police which warranted the exhumation of Miss McCaw's body was not disclosed. The organs removed from the body were taken immediately to Providence and delivered to the custody of the attorney general's office, which will direct the examination by the state chemist.

SKULL WAS CRUSHED BY SOME WEAPON

That Is the Conclusion of Authorities in Connection with Sam Wah's Death at St. Johnsbury.

St. Johnsbury, Dec. 29.—Sam Wah, the Chinese laundryman who was found dead in his basement laundry on Tuesday, met his death by foul play, according to State's Attorney James B. Campbell and Sheriff W. J. Northen. An autopsy was performed yesterday by Dr. C. F. Whitney of Burlington. There are no clues whatever and his death is as much a mystery as his life was.

He had no friends and could speak very little English, although he has been in St. Johnsbury for thirty-five years. Several months ago, residents in the block remembered that a young Chinese man visited him.

His death was caused by his skull being fractured in several places either by a poker or some other heavy object.

The body was removed to the undertaking rooms of C. A. Calderwood and this morning was placed in the vault at Mt. Pleasant cemetery. It was placed in the vault in hopes that some friend or relative might claim the body.

ORLANDO CLARK DEAD.

Was One of East Montpelier's Most Prominent Citizens.

Orlando Clark, one of the most prominent men of East Montpelier, died at his home at 12:30 this afternoon, after a long period of ill health with asthma and having been confined to his bed since the fifth of last July when he dislocated his hip, which it was impossible to set. For the past few weeks he had failed rapidly in health and the last 24 hours remained unconscious.

He was about 84 years old and is survived by his wife, who was Miss Flora Daniels of Woodbury, sister of Harry Daniels of East Montpelier; two sons, Harold Clark, who lives on the old home farm in East Montpelier and Frank, who graduated from Goddard seminary last June and is at home, also by a daughter, Miss Corinne Clark, who lives at home. There are also a brother, George Henry Clark of Barre, and two sisters, Mrs. Fannie Foster of Montpelier and Miss Elsie Clark of North Montpelier.

Mr. Clark represented his town in the legislature several years ago, was a creamery director and had many offices of trust in the town.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

In New England During Next Three Years Considered.

Boston, Dec. 29.—Plans for an agreement on trunk line highways to be constructed in New England during the next three years were discussed to-day at a conference attended by highway commissioners and engineers from the six states in the district and by representatives of the federal highway section of the federal department of agriculture. The federal aid bill, recently passed by Congress with a program for the building of main highways throughout the country, was also under consideration.

John N. Bond, Massachusetts commissioner of public works, presided. Guy B. Miller, district engineer for New York and New England, headed a group of officials representing the federal government.

COLD WAVE TO-NIGHT.

Will Be Preceded By Hard Northwest Stern.

New York, Dec. 29.—Warning of a northwest storm this afternoon from Cape Hatteras to Eastport, Maine, followed by a cold wave to-night, was issued to-day by the weather bureau.

The warning said the disturbances over the northeastern states and lower St. Lawrence valley was moving eastward rapidly.

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COMPANY M IN EXHIBITION.

Barre's New Military Company Showed Machine Gun Action.

The sharp, staccato orders of army officer to man, the even thump of military feet and the click and clatter of machine gun, with striking removed, filled Quarry Bank hall last night, as 200 Barre folks were treated to an actual demonstration of how machine guns go into action. It was the exhibition staged by Co. M, 172d Infantry (1st Vermont) in connection with the company dance and it was well done. The demonstration was of all the more interesting to everyone because of the great part played in the World war by the machine gun.

The men went through all the moves necessary to place the gun in action which was responded to the orders of Lieut. Cecil Downers, like veterans. At that time there were several ex-service men among them, but the majority were youngsters who were not old enough to join up when the democracy of the world was at bay. The machine gun drill was preceded by a physical drill which was also well done. Among those most pleased with the drills was Adj. Gen. H. T. Johnson, who came from Montpelier for the occasion. An alongside the adjutant general sat Capt. Neil Hooker, commander of the company, which was paying a tribute to his ability as a soldier, instructor and all around army officer. The drill was followed by dancing until midnight and Carroll's orchestra played.

NEW DRAWING INSTRUCTOR.

And Also an Assistant in Teacher Training Department.

The public schools of Barre will reopen Tuesday, Jan. 3, for the winter term, and Supt. White is finishing up some of the details incident to the resumption of the work. He announced to-day the appointment of two new members of the teaching staff, as follows: Miss Eunice Votaw of Boston to be instructor of drawing, in place of Miss Eleanor Hall, who resigned at the close of the fall term, and Miss Josephine Leighton of Malden, Mass., to be assistant to Miss Lillian Welch in the teacher training department of Spaulding high school.

Miss Votaw, the drawing instructor, is a graduate of the Massachusetts Normal Art school and has had training experience in the Winchester, Mass., schools. She will arrive in Barre on Saturday. Miss Leighton is a normal school graduate and has taught school in Malden, Mass. Miss Leighton was secured by the state board of education in conformity with a promise to the school after the enrollment of the teacher training class reached twenty. That number was reached during the fall term and the state board of education has since then been securing an assistant to Miss Welch.

TRACED BACTERIA IN MILK.

Out of 4,000 Cows the Hunt Was Brought Down to One Cow.

Vern R. Jones of the state department of agriculture recently completed successfully the tracing of bacteria in milk reported from the Boston board of health. The tracing required 4,000 examinations of milk samples by microscope. The board of health reported to a Vermont plant that its milk was showing too high a count of a certain type of bacteria. The plant reported to Mr. Jones, who went to the plant and began his tests immediately. The plant has about 275 patrons, and it was first necessary to discover what herd the infected milk was coming from. The plant's patrons had 4,000 cows.

When the bacteria were